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# Ordinary Meeting of Council

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## MINUTES

Friday 17 September 2021

Quilpie Shire Council Boardroom  
50 Brolga Street, Quilpie, Qld, 4480





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### **1 OPENING OF MEETING**

The Mayor declared the meeting open at 10.21 am.

### **2 PRESENT**

Cr Stuart Mackenzie (Mayor)

Cr Jenny Hewson (Deputy Mayor)

Cr Roger Volz

Cr Bruce Paulsen

Cr Lyn Barnes

Mr Justin Hancock (Chief Executive Officer)

Mr Brian Weeks (Acting Director Engineering Services)

Ms Lorraine Mathieson (Minutes Secretary)

### **3 APOLOGIES**

Mrs Lisa Hamlyn (Director Corporate and Community Services)

### **4 CONDOLENCES**

A condolence card was forwarded to the family of Jasaleen Ferguson.

### **5 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Chapter 5B of the Local Government Act 2009 (the Act) requires Councillors to declare a Prescribed or Declarable Conflict of Interest.

## 6 RECEIVING AND CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

### 6.1 (09/21) – Ordinary Meeting of Quilpie Shire Council held Friday 20 August 2021

Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Quilpie Shire Council held in the Council Boardroom, 50 Brolga Street Quilpie on Friday, 20 August 2021.

*Resolution No: (01-09-21)*

**Moved by:** Cr Jenny Hewson

**Seconded by:** Cr Bruce Paulsen

*That the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Quilpie Shire Council held on Friday, 20 August 2021 are taken as read and confirmed as an accurate record of proceedings.*

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## 7 ITEMS FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS

Nil.

## 8 MAYORAL REPORT

The Mayor provided a brief update on activities that he has undertaken since the August Ordinary Meeting of Council. Cr Mackenzie attended and participated in a range of meetings during the month including:

- 24/08/21 Business Group Meeting, Quilpie – Housing and accommodation discussed
- 24/08/21 Merino Country Meeting, Quilpie
- 25/08/21 Carbon Farming Meeting, SQ Landscapes, Quilpie – facilitating study on economic impacts of Carbon Farming
- 27/08/21 SWQROC Meeting, Zoom
- 31/08/21 Santos Meeting, Quilpie
- 01/09/21 Wild Dog Barrier Fence Board Meeting, Roma
- 08/09/21 QRA Recovery Plan Workshop, Quilpie

### ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned for morning tea at 10.39am and resumed at 11.26 am.

Morning tea was held to commemorate Michael Thompson's Outstanding Community Service Award, in recognition of his participation in the rescue of Terry Stewart under adverse conditions in the Simpson Desert, early December 2020.

Also attending was Jenna Nunn, newly appointed Director of Nursing, to welcome her to the community.

## 9 COUNCILLOR PORTFOLIO REPORTS

Councillors provided brief updates on activities they have undertaken since the August Ordinary Meeting of Council.

Details	Date of Meeting	Location	Mackenzie	Hewson	Paulsen	Volz	Barnes
Ordinary Council Meeting	20-Aug-21	Quilpie	1	1	1	1	1
St Matther's Church Public Meeting	22-Aug-21	Quilpie				1	
Business Breakfast	24-Aug-21	Quilpie	1	1		1	1
Merino Country Presentation	24-Aug-21	Quilpie	1	1		1	1
Carbon Farmin - Phil Curry	25-Aug-21	Quilpie	1	1			1
RADF Meeting	26-Aug-21			1		1	
SWQROC	27-Aug-21	Zoom	1				1
South West Waste Group Meetings	31-Aug-21	Teams				1	
Santos Meeting with Mark Mayfield	31-Aug-21	Quilpie	1				1
Wild Dog Barrier Fence Board Meeting	01-Sep-21	Roma	1				
Dinner, Dr Anthony Brown, SW Health Service CEO	02-Sep-21	Quilpie				1	1
Quilpie Diggers Race Club Special Meeting	06-Sep-21	Quilpie					1
QRA Recovery Plan Workshop	08-Sep-21	Quilpie	1	1			1
R U OK morning tea - Council Office Lawn	09-Sep-21	Quilpie				1	
Road viewing Onion Creek etc with Director Eng Serv	09-Sep-21	Quilpie		1		1	
Quilpie Rodeo	10-Sep-21	Quilpie			1	1	1
Quilpie Show	11-Sep-21	Quilpie	1		1	1	1
LGAQ Resources update with Dept Resources & Qld Mi	14-Sep-21	Zoom					1

## 10 OPERATIONAL STATUS REPORTS

### 10.1 (09/21) – Engineering Services Status Reports

Noted.

### 10.2 (09/21) – Corporate and Community Services Status Reports

Noted.

### 10.3 (09/21) – Financial Services Status Reports

Noted.

### 10.4 (09/21) – Governance Status Reports

Noted.

## 11 ENGINEERING SERVICES

Nil reports

## 12 CORPORATE AND COMMUNITY SERVICES

Nil reports

## 13 FINANCE

### 13.1 (09/21) – Financial Services Report – Month Ending 31 August 2021

The Finance report for the period ending 31 August 2021 was presented to Council for consideration.

*Resolution No: (02-09-21)*

**Moved by:** Cr Roger Volz

**Seconded by:** Cr Lyn Barnes

*That Council receives the Finance Report for the period ending 31 August 2021 as presented in Item 13.1 of the accompanying Agenda.*

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## ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned for lunch at 12.46pm and resumed at 1.18pm.

## 14 GOVERNANCE

### 14.1 (09/21) – 2021 Christmas Shutdown Period

The purpose of this report is for Council to consider the close down period for the Council workforce over the Christmas / New Year period.

*Resolution No: (03-09-21)*

**Moved by:** Cr Bruce Paulsen

**Seconded by:** Cr Jenny Hewson

*That Council close down for the Christmas/New Year period as follows:*

Location	Last day of work	Shutdown period	First day back at work
Administration Office, Library & Visitor Information Centre	Wednesday 22 December	Thursday 23 December – Friday 7 January	Monday 10 January
Depot and Engineering Services	Friday 17 December	Monday 20 December – Friday 31 December	Tuesday 4 January

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### 14.2 (09/21) – New Subdivision – Old Council Depot Site

Quilpie Shire Council is focused on the expansion of housing stock available for rent within the Shire to help support local businesses and government agencies attract and retain staff. Council's Depot (Lot 2 Plan Q68042) has been converted to Residential Land in Council's planning scheme. Council have

received a quote to undertake the subdivision of this block to include up to 40 Town Houses, with an initial 10 to be designed and constructed in the near future.

Resolution No: (04-09-21)

**Moved by:** Cr Lyn Barnes

**Seconded by:** Cr Roger Volz

That Council:

1. Engage Elia Architecture under Local Buy contract BUS265 to undertake the Sub-Division, Sketch Design, Construction Documentation and Construction Management of the Town Houses at the old Depot (Lot 2 Plan Q68042) as per quote dated 22nd August 2021 for \$294,980.00 (GST Exclusive); and
2. Amend the 2021-2022 capital budget for the amount of \$294,980.00 to cover the initial costs of the project.

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### 14.3 (09/21) – Housing Leases with Eromanga Natural History Museum

The purpose of this report is to consider formal leasehold arrangements for the three rental accommodation houses located in the town of Eromanga.

#### **PRESCRIBED CONFLICT OF INTEREST DECLARED**

Cr Mackenzie declared he has a prescribed conflict of interest (as defined by sections 150EG, 150EH and 150EI of the *Local Government Act 2009*) in matters regarding the Eromanga Natural History Museum.

Cr Mackenzie is Chair of the Outback Gondwana Foundation which operates the Eromanga Natural History Museum and Cr Mackenzie's wife is the Collections Manager of the Eromanga Natural History Museum. The Eromanga Natural History Museum stands to gain a financial benefit depending on the outcome of the matter.

Cr Mackenzie advised that in accordance with legislative requirements he will leave the meeting while the matter is discussed.

#### **ATTENDANCE**

Cr Mackenzie left the meeting at 1.55pm. Cr Hewson assumed the Chair.

#### **ATTENDANCE**

Mr Sanchit Rathee, Manager Governance and Compliance entered the meeting at 1.56pm.

Resolution No: (05-09-21)

**Moved by:** Cr Roger Volz

**Seconded by:** Cr Lyn Barnes

*That Council:*

1. *Resolve to enter into new annual residential tenancy lease agreements for the three residential properties in the town of Eromanga - Lot 5 Neal Street, Lot 6 Neal Street and 14 Donald Street – with the Eromanga Natural History Museum; and*
2. *Delegate authority to the CEO to negotiate the final terms of the lease.*

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#### **ATTENDANCE**

Mr Sanchit Rathee, Manager Governance and Compliance left the meeting at 2.05pm.

#### **ATTENDANCE**

Cr Mackenzie returned to the meeting at 2.06pm and resumed the Chair.

## **15 CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS**

Nil.

## **16 LATE CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS**

Nil.

## **17 LATE ITEMS**

### **17.1 (09/21) – Annual Land Valuations**

The purpose of this report is for Council to consider whether a land valuation should be undertaken to be effective 30 June 2022.

Resolution No: (06-09-21)

**Moved by:** Cr Jenny Hewson

**Seconded by:** Cr Lyn Barnes

*That Council requests that a valuation not be undertaken by the Valuer-General of all rateable land in Quilpie effective 30 June 2022.*

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### 17.2 (09/21) – Tender 21 – 22 Supply of a Compact Track Loader

The purpose of the report is to provide a recommendation to Council to accept the tender for supply of a Compact Skid Steer Track Loader.

Resolution No: (07-09-21)

**Moved by:** Cr Bruce Paulsen

**Seconded by:** Cr Roger Volz

*That Council accepts the offer from Black Truck and Ag for the purchase of one Kubota SVL97-2 Track Skid Steer Loader for \$106,232.24 (excl GST).*

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### 17.3 (09/21) – Tender 21 – 22 Supply of a Multi Tyred Roller

The purpose of the report is to provide a recommendation to Council to accept the tender for supply of a Multi Tyred Roller.

Resolution No: (08-09-21)

**Moved by:** Cr Jenny Hewson

**Seconded by:** Cr Lyn Barnes

*That Council accepts the offer from Hastings Deering for the Purchase of one Caterpillar CW34 (24T) Multi-Tyred Roller for \$205,400.00 (excl GST).*

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### 17.4 (09/21) – Tender 21 – 22 Supply of a Smooth Drum Vibrating Roller

The purpose of the report is to provide a recommendation to Council to accept the tender for supply of a Smooth Drum Vibrating Roller.

Resolution No: (09-09-21)

**Moved by:** Cr Bruce Paulsen

**Seconded by:** Cr Lyn Barnes

*That Council accepts the offer from Hastings Deering for the Purchase of one Caterpillar CS78B Smooth Drum Vibrating Roller for \$187,900.00 (excl GST).*

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## 17.5 (09/21) – Tender Process for sale of 58 Boonkai and 64 Pegler Streets Quilpie

The purpose of this report is to consider a tender process for the sale of the two council owned houses located on 58 Boonkai Street and 64 Pegler Street, Quilpie.

*Resolution No: (10-09-21)*

**Moved by:** Cr Jenny Hewson

**Seconded by:** Cr Lyn Barnes

*That the Council resolve to invite written tenders - as per the process listed in Section 228 (6) of the Local Government Regulation Qld 2012 – from the following persons who have responded to the invitation for expressions of interest:*

- Alina Graham for 64 Pegler Street, Quilpie; and
- Elvio Andrade for 58 Boonkai Street, Quilpie.

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## 18 GENERAL BUSINESS

Councillors were invited to raise any matters they wished to discuss. Matters raised included:

- Cr Barnes continued discussions with Merino Country regarding development of wool manufacturing locally
- Cr Barnes received a query from rural ratepayer regarding postal addresses in Quilpie Shire; a number of properties have difficulty with delivery. Matter has been referred to CEO
- All Councillors offered commendations to the Show Committee for staging Quilpie Show which was well attended and highly successful, despite COVID restrictions
- Cr Volz and Cr Paulsen expressed disappointment that the side show alley events didn't turn up
- Cr Volz asked about strategies to compact waste at Transfer Station
- Main Street Master Plan was discussed, and agreed that the community consultation should be invited regarding the recommendations
- Cr Hewson recommended that a meeting is required for user groups of Bulloo Park to establish strategic requirements for the space, and to revisit the Master Plan
- Cr Paulsen suggested that hire bicycles could be a good idea for families visiting the town
- Cr Paulsen suggested that kangaroo processing could be a potential industry
- Cr Paulsen suggested that providing lighting at Baldy Top could be a tourist attraction
- Department of Environment and Science, Spatial Information Division advised that 'The Swamp' is considered an unsuitable name for the area on Cooper Developmental Road, at Eromanga. It was decided to leave it un-named, and continue to refer to it colloquially as 'The Swamp'.
- A quote for \$55,000 was received to supply a new shade structure at Eromanga Pool. Councillors suggested that a small shade structure be placed beside the pool rather than the larger structure over the pool.

## 19 MEETING DATES

The next Ordinary Meeting of Quilpie Shire Council will take place on Tuesday 12 October 2021 in the Quilpie Shire Council Boardroom commencing at 9.30am.

There being no further business the Mayor declared the meeting closed at 4.09 pm.

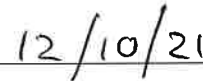
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I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true record of the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Ordinary Meeting held on the Friday, 17 September 2021.

Submitted to the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on Tuesday, 12 October 2021



Cr Stuart Mackenzie



Date

**Mayor of Quilpie Shire Council**